centre. Shri V.K. Babu, the then Regional Representative and Member Convenor, Lucknow was transferred and an inquiry was instituted against him. On the basis of the outcome of the inquiry report, the officer has since been exonerated.

(c) Complaints against the officials of Regional Office, CAPART, Lucknow were received and disciplinary action has been initiated against one of the officials of Regional Office, Lucknow.

(d) Instalments including second and subsequent ones in respect of sanctioned projects under Regional Office, CAPART, Lucknow, U.P. are being provided. Facilitator-cum-Evaluators for monitoring of project proposals are also being deputed by the Regional Office, CAPART Lucknow.

Poverty eradication progammes

†3110. SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any programme with a view to bring in transparency and accountability in poverty eradication programmes having regard to the fact that one-fourth of the population of the country is still living below the poverty line;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) by when, the said programme is likely to be implemented; and

(d) the number of persons likely to be benefited out of the implementation of the said programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) to (c) The Ministry of Rural Development have put in place a comprehensive mechanism to bring in transparency and accountability in implementation of poverty eradication programmes. At the grassroot level, the Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) are actively involved in planning and implementation of these programmes and even the list of Below Poverty Line (BPL) families is finalized by the Gram Sabha. Under Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar

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Yojana (SGRY) and National Food For Work Programme (NFFWP), instructions have been issued to form the Monitoring Committees of local people for each project sanctioned under these programmes to monitor the progress and quality of the works. At the State and District level, Vigilance and Monitoring Committees have been constituted. The District Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committees are comprised elected representatives of the people and are headed by the local Members of Parliament. These Committees are to monitor and review the progress of various programmes of the Ministry. In addition to above, wide publicity is given through various methods to educate the masses about the poverty alleviation programmes of the Ministry.

(d) The above measures of transparency and accountability have been taken to ensure the proper implementation of these programmes so that the benefits actually reach the deserving BPL families. All the BPL families assisted under various poverty alleviation programmes of the Ministry are to be benefited from the above system.

Non-completion of Badiyara-Nandla road under PMGSY

†3111. SHRI BASHISTHA NARAIN SINGH: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount sanctioned by Government under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana in Uttar Pradesh and Himachal Pradesh during the last three years;

(b) whether it is a fact that under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana, the construction work of Badiyara-Nandla road in Shimla district of Himachal Pradesh is still going and has not been completed yet;

(c) if so, by when it will be completed and the action being taken against the contractor responsible for delay in its construction; and

(d) by when construction work on Nadla-Mangara road would be started?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) Under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), the proposals for road works are

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